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Draft decision submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania), on the basis of informal consultations

Enlargement of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, in which it decided, inter alia, that the Commission on Science and Technology for Development should be enlarged by the inclusion of ten new members:

(a) Decides that the distribution of the ten new seats on the Commission will be as follows:

(i) Three seats for the Group of African States;

(ii) Two seats for the Group of Asian States;

(iii) One seat for the Group of Eastern European States;

(iv) Two seats for the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States;

(v) Two seats for the Group of Western European and other States;

(b) Also decides that, initially, the terms of office of the new members shall coincide with the existing terms of membership, the dates to be determined by lot for each region;

(c) Further decides that the elections of the ten new members of the Commission will be held at the organizational session of the Council in February 2007.

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Contributions of relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, and the organizations of the United Nations system to the annual ministerial-level substantive review and the Development Cooperation Forum

The Economic and Social Council,

(a) Decides, in accordance with paragraph 8, on annual ministerial-level substantive reviews, of General Assembly resolution 61/16 of 20 November 2006:

(i) To urge its functional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies and follow-up mechanisms, as appropriate, to contribute, in accordance with their mandates and taking into account their specificity, to the assessment;

(ii) To invite the organizations of the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization, to contribute within their respective mandates to the consideration by the Council;

(b) Also decides, in accordance with paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 61/16, to urge the United Nations regional commissions, in collaboration with other regional and subregional organizations and processes, as appropriate, to contribute, within their mandates, to the review of progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields and to provide input to the discussions of the Economic and Social Council in accordance with its rules of procedure;

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(c) Further decides that this decision should apply to the first annual ministerial-level substantive review and the Development Cooperation Forum to be held in 2007, without prejudice to the future modalities of interaction between the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies beyond the substantive session of 2007 of the Council.